COMING EVENTS

Week 4 – Virtue: JUSTICE
Monday 6-8
* Frau deWeerd, Mrs Roberts and Mr Milne at Maths T&D
* 8:50 Assembly
* Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden (SAKG) classes for year 5,6,7 children
* User pays guitar lessons
Tuesday 7-8
* Mrs Ryan and Ms Umback at Maths T&D
* Kerry (Christian Pastoral Support Worker CPSW) at school 9-4pm
* Year 4-5 SAKG Kitchen class
* 11:30-1pm Footsteps Dance
* 3:30-4:30 Active After Schools (AAS) Multi Skills
* Staff meeting
Wednesday 8-8
* 3:30-4:30 AAS Tennis
* 7pm Governing Council meeting
Thursday 9-8
* User pays piano lessons
* Kerry (CPSW) at school 9-4pm
* 2:45 Student Leaders’ meeting
* Senior choir
Friday 10-8
* “Start Smart” presentation for all classes from Commonwealth Bank rep
* 2:45 assembly – year 1-2 hosts

Week 5 SCIENCE WEEK
Monday 13-8
* 8:50 Assembly
* Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden (SAKG) classes commence for year 5,6,7 children
* User pays guitar lessons
Tuesday 14-8
* Year 4-5 SAKG Kitchen class
* Kerry, the Christian Pastoral Support Worker (CPSW) at school 9-4pm
* Footsteps Dance and Concert
Friday 17-8
* Parent Club Meeting

Macclesfield Primary School runs the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program for the year 3-7 children on Mondays and Tuesdays for eight weeks of each term.

“The Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation Philosophy”

The aim of the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation is to introduce pleasurable food education into as many Australian primary schools as possible.

The program emphasises the flavours as well as the benefits of fresh, seasonal foods.

Dishes cooked reflect the vegetables, herbs and fruits grown, season-by-season, by the children in their organic garden.

Our kitchen specialist instructors emphasise balance and moderation, and endorse the concept of preparing fruit-based desserts ‘sometimes’ only.

The program is designed to be fully integrated into the primary school curriculum as it offers infinite possibilities to reinforce literacy, numeracy, science, cultural studies and all aspects of environmental sustainability.

In addition, the program delivers observable social benefits to all students, including those with special needs.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank and praise both Robyn and Sandy for the wonderful way in which they work with the students and teachers in the organisation and running of the programme.
Principal’s Report

ICAS Computer test

On Tuesday May 22nd, Joshua Baker, Emily Jones and Marley Broomhill sat for the University of NSW ICAS Computer test.

All three children received credits for their efforts, placing them in the top 25%, in their respective year level, of all students from SA and the NT who sat for the test.

Well done!

National Schools Plant Trees Day

Last Friday, July 27th, was the National Schools Plant Trees Day. We were extremely fortunate in receiving a donation of over 70 shrubs, bushes, ground covers and grasses from the Mt Barker Council and Bunnings.

The year 3-4-5 class planted grasses around the site of our planned ‘Frog Pond’ and some of the shrubs and bushes in the Top Block in the area bordered by our ‘Native Bush Tucker Trail’.

The Year 5-6-7 children planted shrubs and ground covers in front of the staff car park.

We would like to thank Bunnings and the Mt Barker Council for the donation of the plants. We are looking forward to them growing and improving the aesthetics of our grounds. A huge thank you also to Bunnings for their generous donation of 6 spades and 2 watering cans. These will definitely be put to good use in the SAKG garden.

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Marley and Emily proudly displaying their Credit Certificates.

A group of Year 4-5 boys planting grasses around the frog pond.

Some of the Year 5-6-7s hard at work in front of the car park
2012 Semester 2 Student Leaders

Congratulations to the following students on being selected by their peers to represent their classes on our Student Leaders’ group:

Year 1-2
Georgia Tregaskis and Samuel Fahey

Year 3-4-5
Ebonny Cooper and Tyler Davey

Year 5-6-7
Mimi Bailey and Matthew Chapman

These six children will join Lauren Holdstock and Riley Daykin as our Student Leaders for the second semester.

Wipe Out Waste (WOW)

We began our WOW campaign this week. We hope to reduce the daily waste produced by each class to a volume of only 250ml.

To help reduce the amount of waste each class produces we recycle, reduce and reuse whenever we can.

Our fruit and vegetable scraps are either composted or fed to the chooks, our paper and cardboard is recycled in the large, white, SITA skip bin, the 10c drink containers are collected and cashed in and we have just had 2 smaller bins donated to school to assist with the recycling of metal and plastic.

Our five successful Cross Country runners with the three ribbon winners in the middle.
Pedal Prix

Last Sunday, Maccy Missile Team A competed in the 6 hour event on the Clipsal track at the old Victoria Park Racecourse.

The team completed 99 laps in just under five hours of racing time. Time was lost due to an accident on “crash corner” involving vehicles from other teams and when our rear tyre fell off just outside of pit lane.

The 99 laps equates to a distance of approximately 110 km covered at an average speed of 22 km/h.

The team’s efforts have placed the Missiles in overall 21\textsuperscript{st} position of the Primary Category. Our previous best position in this category was 48\textsuperscript{th}, achieved in 2007.

Thank you to all of the parents who helped on the day by manning the pits, cooking the BBQ or providing invaluable vocal support.

Mrs. Kathigitis’s Art Class

Art work from the year 1/2 class. Book Week begins the 18\textsuperscript{th} and concludes the 24\textsuperscript{th} of August. The students work is from some of the books that are short-listed for Book Week. These fantastic pictures from the year 1/2 class are from the book “That’s not a daffodil!” by Elizabeth Honey.

Art work from the year 5/6/7 class. These fantastic pictures are from the book “Flood” by Jackie French.